

ULTIMATUM FROM ITALY TO TURKEY

ROME DEMANDS REPARATION FOR BOAT SEIZED IN MARMORA.

RUSSIANS LOSE RAILWAY LINE

Probably Cut in Two Places, and Defensive Operations Are Greatly Hampered—Germans Continue to Advance.

Rome.—The most important decision taken by the cabinet council was in connection with the attitude of Turkey, which the government has determined not to tolerate.

The Italian ambassador at Constantinople has been instructed to demand immediate reparation for the arbitrary seizure of the Italian gunboat *Mondello*, which since July 20 has been used by the Turks as a troop ship in the Sea of Marmora under the protection of the Italian flag.

A reasonable time limit will be given Turkey to comply with these demands. It is reported it will not exceed a week, and unless Turkey immediately promises to accede unconditionally to Italy's demands, the expiration of the time limit will be unnecessary, since Italy holds the she would be justified in resorting to coercive measures against Turkey.

Austro-Hungarian Headquarters.—The Austro-German mobile heavy artillery already is playing on the permanent fortifications of Ivangorod fortress and from the west bank of the Vistula River below Ivangorod is throwing shells on the Ivangorod-Lublin-Chelm Railroad, which here runs scarcely a mile from the shore of the river.

The Austrian troops also are dangerously near, if they are not already across the same railroad, between Lublin and Chelm, so that this all-important means of communication, connecting the whole southern Russian front between the Vistula and the Bug Rivers, is probably cut in two places, which will greatly hamper the defensive position.

The Austro-German forces in this region continue to advance. New reserves and veteran troops whose ranks have been recruited to full strength during the period of recuperation.

AERONAUTS FORM A SOCIETY

Organization of Aeronautic Engineers Effected at the Request of Edison, Head of Naval Advisory Board.

New York, N. Y.—The American Society of Aeronautic Engineers, to include representatives of every branch of aeronautic science in America, has just been organized at the request of Thomas A. Edison, chairman of the Advisory Board of the Navy, to operate with the Navy Board in many new projects that are soon to be taken up.

The following officers of the new society were elected: President, Henry A. Wise Wood; vice presidents, Orville Wright, Glen H. Curtiss, W. Sterling Burgess, Elmer A. Sperry, Peter Cooper Hewitt and John Haver Hammond Jr.; treasurer, Clark Thompson, and secretary, Lawrence B. Sperry. The directors include Thomas S. Baldwin, Henry Woodhouse, Joseph A. Steinmetz and Blon J. Arnold.

The Smithsonian Institution, the Postoffice Department, the Weather Bureau, the Bureau of Standards, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan have each been invited to name an additional director.

MUNITIONS PLANTS WARNED

Three Cleveland Concerns Receive Notice of Plot to Blow Up Factories.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Officials of three Cleveland concerns said to be turning out war supplies have been notified by local federal officials under orders from Washington of a reported plot to blow up their plants by dynamite.

The companies are the Peerless Motor Car Company, the White Company, automobile manufacturers, and the American Steel and Wire Company. A total of 12,300 men are employed in the plants.

Charles De Woody, special agent of the department of justice, and United States District Attorney Wertz first learned of the plot when a man, greatly excited, told federal building attaches he held the secret of a plan to blow up the three plants.

Kills Wife, Stepson and Self. Detroit.—Chester Hall, 58 years old, of Grand Rapids, shot and killed his wife, Anna, 33, and his stepson, Henry Tunis, 18, here. Both died instantly. Hall then blew his own head off with a shotgun.

American May Be Queen. London.—Prince Poinatowski, whose wife was Miss Helen Sperry of Stockton, Cal., is being mentioned as a possible future king of Poland if the Poles should gain their independence at the end of the war.

Reception to Premier Botha. Capetown.—Premier Botha arrived here from the campaign which ended July 9 with the surrender of German Southwest Africa. The premier was cheered wherever he appeared. Business was suspended.

British Seize German Passengers. New York.—Two German cabin passengers aboard the Dutch steamer *Nickerie* were taken off that ship by a boarding party from the British cruiser *Isis*, which stopped it off Barcegat.

VIRGINIA DAY AT THE EXPOSITION



Virginia day at the Panama Pacific exposition at San Francisco was a great success. Our illustration shows the color bearers of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues on parade, and, at the right, Governor Stuart delivering his address.

STATE MUST SHOW CAUSE STEAMER IS SUNK IN SUEZ

BECKER CASE GETS HEARING IN ONE COURT.

New York Supreme Justice Philbin's Action May Bring Stay of Execution.

New York, N. Y.—Supreme Court Justice Philbin issued an order for the state to show cause why a new trial should not be granted Charles Becker, former police lieutenant, sentenced to die in the electric chair July 28 for conspiracy in the murder of gambler Herman Rosenthal.

This order was issued following the filing of affidavits by Becker's attorneys, alleging the discovery of new and important evidence tending to establish Becker's innocence. These affidavits contained statements from East Side gamblers who are said to have contributed to a fund of \$6,000 to induce Rosenthal to leave New York. The offer was rejected by Rosenthal and a few hours later he was shot to death.

The state is expected to act immediately upon the court's order as only three court days now intervene before the date set for Becker's execution. Unless the state appears and shows cause before that time the court's order probably would automatically act as a stay of execution.

INJUNCTION AGAINST ADMIRAL

Oklahoma Woman Trying to Keep Him Away From Daughter; He Gets a Lawyer.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.—After the death of George Moore, three years ago, Louis Crawford began to pay attention to Mrs. Bessie Moore, the young widow. The courtship was opposed by Mrs. Moore's mother, Mrs. M. A. Bader, also a widow.

Mrs. Bader drove Crawford away and told him to stay away. Then she began calling the police and ordering the arrest of Crawford every time she found him in the Bader home. Crawford fought the cases in the police court and got out of most of them without paying a fine.

The widow is alleged to have encouraged him, but not in sight of her mother. In her mother's presence, it is declared, she would vehemently order Crawford away and in half an hour telephone him to come back.

A few days ago Mrs. Bader obtained an injunction. Crawford has engaged a lawyer.

Wichita, Kansas.—A couple of men robbed the Niotaze State Bank of \$1,000 and were gone before anyone but the cashier of the bank and a patron knew of the robbery.

The men rode into town, tied their horses in the alley in the rear of the bank and entered the building without attracting attention.

Illinois Banker Dies Suddenly. Jacksonville, Ill.—Robert Hockin, a banker of Jacksonville, died suddenly at his home. He had been identified with banking in Jacksonville for the last 35 years.

Mirror Warns Autoists. Pittsburgh, Pa.—Flashing a clear reflection of one of the most dangerous curves in Western Pennsylvania, a plate glass mirror, 30 by 48 inches, has been placed at the top of Logan's Ferry hill by the New Kensington Automobile Club.

\$10,000 Gems for \$300. Oakland, Cal.—Frederick Cors, an 18-year-old immigrant, admitted here that he stole diamonds valued at \$10,000 from the Chicago home of Mrs. William Selig. He only received \$300 for the gems.

Candy for Federal Prisoners. Atlanta, Ga.—Candy has been added to the list of articles which inmates of the federal prison here may purchase and Warden Fred G. Zerkel said that nearly 800 of 1,135 prisoners had taken advantage of the privilege.

GERMANS HOLD A MILLION RUSSIANS

TWO ADVANCES OF KAISER'S MEN REPORTED FROM POLAND.

U-BOAT SINKS SIX VESSELS

French Make Gains at Ban de Sapt, and Germans Bombard Fortress at Dunkirk—Submarine Said to Be Destroyed.

Berlin.—The total number of Russian prisoners of war taken by Germany and Austria-Hungary since the beginning of the war, including the figures reported by the general staffs, surpasses 1,500,000 officers and men.

It was announced that the Austro-Germans had captured 100,000 Russian prisoners in the last ten days up to July 24.

The Germans have crossed the New River on a front from a point south of Ostrolenka to Pultusk. South-east of Pultusk fortress the Teutons are approaching the Bug River.

Dunkirk Fortress Bombed.—On the western theatre—On the eastern border of the Argonne we blew up an enemy blockhouse.

"Next Lamols south of Ban de Sapt, the French established themselves in a small portion of our advanced trenches.

"The fortress of Dunkirk was bombarded by us with several shells."

London.—German submarines have resumed their activity in English waters, sinking a French steamer and four British trawlers. One of the under-sea boats is reported to have been destroyed by bombs and gunfire.

The British steamer *Firth*, 406 tons, of Aberdeen, bound from France for Firth of Forth, was torpedoed by a submarine in the North Sea.

The French steamship *Danae*, bound from Liverpool for Archangel, Russia, was sunk off Cape Wrath, which forms the northwestern extremity of Scotland. The trawlers *Henry Charles*, *Kathleen*, *Activity* and *Prosper* were sent to the bottom in the North Sea. The crews of all vessels were saved.

ARREST PASTOR FOR MURDER

Rev. W. H. McCard Charged With Killing Monroe Smith, Which Dates Back 45 Years.

Covington, Kentucky.—The Rev. W. H. McCard is in jail here charged with killing Monroe Smith near Covington more than 45 years ago.

Smith, it is alleged, struck McCard's mother and was killed a few days later. McCard left her shortly afterwards and went west, where he became a minister. He came here on a visit to relatives and his arrest followed.

Road Sued for \$18,000,000.

New York.—The New York Trust company began two suits in the supreme court against the Western Pacific, now in the hands of receivers. The first suit is for \$14,000,000 and the second action is for \$4,375,000.

Body Identified as Bates'. Queensstown.—A body washed ashore at Kiloogan Gateway has been identified from documents found in the coat pocket and from the name on the linen as that of Lindon Bates Jr., an American victim of the sinking of the *Lusitania*.

Kidnaper in Jail.

Idaho Falls, Idaho.—Lon Dean, a sheep herder, who admits he kidnaped E. A. Empey, was lodged in the Bonnevill county jail by cowboys, after a hard ride to save their captive from would-be lynchers. Dean was captured on the Sheep Mountain after Empey had escaped.

Machine-Gun Drill for Militia.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Brig. Gen. A. J. Logan, commanding the Second Brigade, Pennsylvania National Guard, announced to his command that machine-gun drill was to be a part of the brigade encampment which will begin August 7.

Food Taken to China Sufferers.

Washington.—The naval supply ship *Supply* has sailed from Shanghai for Hong Kong with food for famine sufferers in the Canton district which floods have devastated.

Chas Chicago "Too Speedy."

Chicago, Ill.—Motorists have paid fines amounting to \$20,000 in Chicago within the last 28 days for violating speed laws. "Chicago is too speedy," said Judge Arthur J. Gray.

Mine Layer Is Refloated.

Copenhagen.—The German mine layer *Albatross*, which was driven ashore in the recent naval battle in the Baltic, off the Gothland coast between German and Russian warships, has been refloated.

President's Double Arrested.

Philadelphia.—The double of President Wilson is locked up at the city hall, awaiting extradition to New Jersey, where he is accused of non-support of his wife and children. He is James K. Lewis.

Millionaire's Will Upheld.

Springfield, Mo.—Suit to break the will of the late T. B. Holland, instituted by his grandson, Grady Holland Sanford, was thrown out of court when Judge Guy D. Kirby sustained a demurrer filed by the defendant heirs.

Clark Gets Crank Letter.

Washington.—Champ Clark, speaker of the house, it became known, recently received a "crank letter," written in red ink and decorated with a skull and cross bones. The postmark was Buffalo, N. Y.

EASTLAND HORROR PUTS NATION IN MOURNING

Chicago Steamer Turns Over at Dock and Thousands Drown.

PRESIDENT WILSON ORDERS INVESTIGATION

Over 900 Bodies Have Been Taken from Wreck of Steamer Whose Construction Has Been Under Suspicion.

Chicago.—Chicago and the nation is stunned by the enormity of an accident which occurred here Saturday, July 24, at 7:30 a. m.

The huge steamer *Eastland* lying at the dock and loading with a crowd of merry-making excursionists, turned over on her side without warning and over a thousand people met their death.

Chicago, Ill.—Bodies of 809 persons, killed in the capsizing of the steamer *Eastland* at its wharf in the Chicago River, have been recovered after 40 hours of searching by divers around the steel hull, still lying on its side, half submerged, where it rolled while laden with 2408 excursionists.

The total dead as a result of the turning over of the top-heavy ship still remains at approximately 1,000, according to Coroner Hoffman, whose reports indicated that probably 100 bodies were still held in the mud of the river by the superstructure of the overturned boat. While only 1,002 passengers of the *Eastland* have been recovered, it is thought that about 475 survivors, including the crew of 72, had failed to report their escape.

About three score bodies were recovered from the wreck before noon July 25, but after that hour divers discovered only one corpse before they quit work for the night. Deputy Coroner Linderman, who had charge of the work at the river side, said he did not expect to find many more bodies before the steamer was righted, and possibly none then.

Estimates as to how many persons might be pinned down by the sunken vessel varied widely, some declaring there was none, while others estimated as high as 200. There was much confusion in the tallying of bodies recovered owing to duplications and removals.

As a result all sorts of estimates were scattered about the city, with guesses from 1,300 to 2,300, but officers in charge of clearing the wreck have been unable to tabulate more than 901 bodies when the morgue was cleared of all but a score of corpses. All the rest of the victims, mostly women and children, have been identified and removed by relatives.

Eastland Considered Unsafe. In a statement issued State's Attorney Mackay Hoynes said, regarding his investigation of the accident:

"We insist that a considerable portion of the blame for the *Eastland* disaster rests upon the United States inspection bureau. If the inspectors of the bureau had done their duty the accident would not have occurred."

"We know that the ship was considered unsafe by the inspectors, because there are letters on file in Washington which predicted this disaster. I have copies of these letters and may introduce them before the coroner's inquest."

Against obeying the Law.

Syracuse, N. Y.—William C. Redfield, secretary of the department of commerce, who is in Syracuse, made public correspondence between the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship Company, owners of the *Eastland*, and the department of commerce relating to the new steamer's act.

Secretary Redfield believes that under the steamer's act the passenger-carrying capacity of the *Eastland* should have been reduced from 2,570 to 1,552. The steamship company opposed the steamer's bill. The correspondence comprises four letters.

In the first letter, W. H. Hull, general manager of the steamship company, registers a protest under date of June 25, 1915, against the steamer's bill being made effective on November 4. He wrote:

"I am confident that the disastrous effects of this bill to American steamship lines are already apparent to everyone, and believe that an opportunity should be given to have this act modified or entirely canceled."

To this Secretary Redfield replied on June 28:

"It is difficult to see how your request can be carried out without involving me in a flat breach of my oath of office, which is to enforce the law. Power is not given me to say what laws shall be obeyed and what not obeyed."

"Getting" Isn't "Holding."

"It's all nonsense about it being hard for a college graduate to get a job."

"You didn't have any trouble in finding one, then?"

"One? Why, I've had six jobs in the last four weeks."

Second Nature.

"I wonder why jiggers always makes light of other people's mistakes?"

"It comes natural to him I guess. You see, he's claim agent for a railroad company."

Let Him Go to Work.

"How is your son getting along?"

"I don't know what to make of that boy. He's been at college 4 years learning to be a baseball player, and now he wants me to send him to another college so he can learn to be a doctor."

"Is this Friday, mamma?"

"No darling. This is Thursday."

"Oh, dear! I can hardly wait for Saturday. Uncle George promised to take me to the drug store and buy me a sundae."

HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

Tracy Richardson, a machine gun operator, who was reported in news dispatches recently as having been killed, has written his mother, Mrs. Ella Richardson, under date of July 9. He is still in a hospital in North England and won't go to France for some time. He writes he had a letter from Washington, D. C., saying that there was a captain's commission if he would come home and a staff job if there was trouble in Mexico.

The Sileam Park bonds for \$20,000 carried seven to one at an election in Excelsior Springs the other day. That insures the immediate expenditure of \$35,000 for the Sileam and Sulphur-Saline pavilion at the Broadway entrance to the proposed park and driveway system.

F. M. Thompson, 30, and C. E. Layton, 28, miners, probably were fatally injured when a hoister with which they were being pulled to the surface broke, allowing them to drop fifty feet to the bottom of a mine shaft near Carthage.

Carrollton recently decided to oust its five saloons by voting "dry" by a majority of 185. The county court of Carroll county, in which Carrollton is situated, will be asked next month to call a county-wide local option election in September.

Pearl Gehrs, the 13-year-old daughter of Edward Gehrs, rural mail carrier of Versailles, residing four miles in the country, was struck by lightning the other afternoon and instantly killed.

Six members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Commerce intercepted a negro at the ferry as he was landing two sacks filled with beer and whisky, and destroyed the liquor. The entire lot was valued at \$40.

A. P. Jeffries of Chillicothe, was probably fatally injured when the automobile in which he was riding near Salina, Kas., turned turtle. H. D. Davis also was seriously hurt.

Charles H. Evans, known throughout Central Missouri as "Uncle Buck" Evans, died at his home in Lamotte recently. He was born near Smithton, Pettis county, eighty years ago and probably was the oldest native resident of that county. He formerly was engaged in the mercantile business in Smithton, Dresden and Lamotte.

Because of the high price of ore, due to the war in Europe, school boys in the Missouri-Oklahoma-Kansas zinc district are "scrapping" free ore from old dump piles and are making more than spending money.

Mystery surrounds the death of Osa Wolton of Carthage who was found dying on a vacant lot in Joplin. He died later in a hospital in that city. Indications are that his death was due to morphine poisoning.

Judge Joshua E. Stephens, a cousin of former Governor Lon V. Stephens, and a former circuit judge of Cedar county, is dead at Webb City, of Bright's disease.

So busy has the Ozark hen been this summer and so low the market price for her product, that more eggs are stored in Springfield at this time than ever before in the history of the poultry industry in this section. In one plant there are 10,089,000 eggs, and they are being received by the hundreds of dozen daily. The eggs are being bought up by large produce concerns and will be held for higher prices.

Announcements was made recently by A. F. Vandeen, general manager of the Springfield Gas and Electric Company, of the completion of designs for motor trucks to be installed in the jitney service by the Springfield Traction Company.

C. & A. train No. 21, the Red Flyer, due at Marshall at 3 p. m., struck and killed William Booker at Norton, five miles east of that city. Booker was walking on the right-of-way. He was hard of hearing.

Mrs. Emily J. Hull, mother of Speaker James H. Hull, died at the home of her son, Charles V. Hull, Newmarket, Platte county, recently.

William Orr, 34 years old, of Richmond, was drowned recently while trying to cross a break in the levee in front of the farm of William Meadows, opposite Lexington.

John A. Knott, veteran editor and owner of the Hannibal Morning Journal and state inspector, who has been near death for several days from ptomaine poisoning, will recover.

Bud Nichols, engineer of a traction engine belonging to Watt Hinton, was drowned when his machine went through a bridge over East Fork Creek a mile from Huntsville. It is supposed the bridge was weakened by recent high water.

Mrs. St. Clair Moss, president of the Christian Church at Columbia, announced recently that a Kansas City man who desired his name withheld, had donated a sufficient sum to the college to assure the erection of a home economics building.

Loton, nine-year-old son of Fred Peirce, a rural mail carrier of Carthage, risked his life to save his dog when he jumped directly in front of the blade of a moving moving machine in order to save his pet. The boy's hand was severely cut and his clothing was torn from his body before the team could be stopped.

Peter Kolonowski, 25 years old, was beheaded when he attempted to board a moving Chicago Great Western freight train at St. Joseph the other day.

Every owner presumes the innocence of his dog on all charges that are brought by the neighbors.—Toledo Blade.

The strength of a man's voice is always the measure of his mental capacity.—Albany Journal.